AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1.   (currently amended): An image processing device, comprised of a first storage device[,] which stores n-bit image data,

an image data converter[,] which converts said n-bit image data into m-bit (where n < m) image data, and

a second storage device[,] which stores said m-bit image data resulting from data conversion,

<u>a transfer controller which controls data transfer,</u>

<u>wherein</u> ~~said image processing device being characterized in that~~ said first storage device stores m-bit color pallet data corresponding to said n-bit image data and said image data<u>, said transfer controller transfers both of said n-bit image data and said m-bit color pallet data corresponding to said n-bit image data to said image data converter,</u> and said image data converter converts said n-bit image data into m-bit image data by collation of said n-bit image data with said m-bit color pallet data and then transfers said m-bit image data to said second storage device.

2.   (currently amended): An image processing device<u> as claimed in Claim 1</u>, ~~comprised of a first storage device, which stores n-bit image data,~~

~~an image data converter, which converts said n-bit image data into m-bit (where n < m)~~ ~~image data,~~

~~a second storage device, which stores said m-bit image data resulting from data~~ ~~conversion, and~~ further comprising:

a display device, which displays, as image information, said m-bit image data read out from said second storage device,

~~said image processing device being characterized in that~~ wherein said image data converter converts said n-bit image data, stored in said first storage device, into m-bit image data for each pixel that comprises said image information that is to be displayed on said display device and then transfers said m-bit image data to said second storage device.

3.   (currently amended): An image processing device as set forth in Claim 1, wherein said image data converter successively acquires said n-bit image data for single image information that have been transferred from said first storage device and the m-bit (where n < m) color pallet data corresponding to the image data and acquires said color pallet data for each pixel that ~~comprises~~forms said single image information and then transfers converted m-bit imaged data to said second storage device.

4.   (canceled).

5.   (currently amended): An image data conversion method, with which n-bit image data[,] stored in a first storage device[,] and m-bit (where n < m) color pallet data, which

correspond to the image data and are stored in the first storage device, are used to perform

conversion, ~~said image data conversion method being characterized in that~~ comprising:

~~the~~ acquiring said n-bit image data and ~~the~~said m-bit color pallet data ~~are acquired~~ from

said first storage device,

transferring both of said n-bit image data and m-bit color pallet data corresponding to

said n-bit image data, and

converting said ~~the~~ n-bit image data ~~are converted~~ to m-bit image data by collation of ~~the~~

~~acquired~~said n-bit image data with said m-bit color pallet data which have been transferred.